

Bay Area Water Treatment Plant 2701 N. Euclid Avenue Bay City, MI 48706

Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee September 2, 2021 @ 9:00 A.M.

Partner	Member	Alternate
Charter Township of Bangor	Glenn Rowley (Vice-Chairman)	Karie Wardynski
City of Bay City	Bob Dion	Marty Jurish
Bay County Road Commission/	Jim Lillo	Bill Schumacher
Department of Water & Sewer		
Beaver Township	Nick Tomczak	Tom Meier
City of Essexville	Dan Hansford	Scott Wittbrodt
Frankenlust Township	Ron Campbell (Chairman)	Jim Begick
Fraser Township	George Augustyniak	Mark Galus
Charter Township of Hampton	Terri Close	Donna Samyn
Kawkawlin Township	Sam Davidson	Greg Petrimoulx
Merritt Township	Dave Schabel	Kathy Parrent
Charter Township of Monitor	Gary Brandt	Terry Spencer
City of Pinconning	Dan Murawski	George Johnson
Charter Township of Portsmouth	Bob Pawlak	Kevin Kokaly
Charter Township of Williams	Will Butterfield	Tom Putt

1. Call to Order:

Chairman; R. Campbell called the Bay Area Water Treatment Plant Technical Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call - Members Present:

Ron Campbell (Chairman)

Glenn Rowley (Vice-Chairman)

Jim Lillo

Sam Davidson

Terri Close

Gary Brandt

Dan Hansford

Dave Schabel

Alternates Present:

Marty Jurish

Others Present:

Bill Bohlen

Jennifer Schwager

Ryan Goebel

Chris Jankowski

Keri Christian

Members Absent:

George Augustyniak Will Butterfield Dan Murawski Nick Tomczak Bob Dion Bob Pawlak

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. Approval of Minutes:

<u>G. Brandt motioned; S. Davidson supported to approve the August 5, 2021 meeting minutes as presented.</u> All yeas, motion carried.

5. Public Comment:

None

6. Superintendent Report:

Superintendent; R. Goebel displayed the August plant flows and yearly comparison chart of daily plant flow averages. The high demand season is coming to a close and daily demands are most likely to decrease due to the cooler temperatures.

2021 tentative lead and copper results were displayed for the Bay County DWS distribution system. All reports have been submitted or are in the process of being submitted to EGLE; certified results are expected in the early fall months.

The exterior of the finished water tanks has been cleaned. Before and after photos were displayed. The tanks had accumulated a slight growth of grime/algae and are scheduled to be cleaned every three years by the Maintenance Department.

The interior of the Farley Tower has been painted and the paint is currently curing. Filling of the tower is scheduled for next week. There were no issues while the tank was out of service. Prep for the exterior coat of paint to the Monitor Township Tower is tentatively scheduled to begin next week.

Due to previous water quality issues in the Portsmouth Township area of the distribution system, a booster pump station was installed approximately twenty years ago. The Bay Area Water System has since expanded and updates were needed at the pump station. New pump motor starters have been installed, a bank of relays, and a time clock has been added to the station. The new set up is going to save charges on the monthly electric bill by cutting pump runtime by 8 hours a day. A July and August electric bill usage chart showed a reduction of \$225.70. The previous set up had 1 of the 2 manual pumps unnecessarily running 24/7. The pumps are now connected to a VFD running at a reduced speed and are on a time clock allowing them to run at designated times. The pumps are rotated daily automatically where as previously they were rotated on a weekly basis by the Distribution Department. A photo of the updated electrical panel was displayed.

The State lab inspection took place on August 5, 2021. The Lab Inspector found 7 minor things to fix, nothing serious. Most corrections were related to paperwork. The BAWTP Laboratory

will be re-Certified for 2022. The next inspection will be in 2025.

IT Manager; C. Jankowski and R. Goebel have been updating the Bay County DWS website. R. Goebel clicked on the website and went to the added tabs and information. The following information resources have been added:

- Treatment Chemicals and Dosage Amounts
- PFAS Section
- 2020 Certified Lead and Copper results
- Water Quality Parameters & Testing
- Frequently Asked Questions

The website will be continuously updated, water source and water history information will eventually be added. R. Goebel welcomed any community within the Bay Area Water System to add the link to their website.

Director Report:

Director; B. Bohlen informed the Committee that there has been an unexpected delay purchasing the booster station parcel on Wheeler Rd. in Monitor Township. The title search revealed that the property owner has an easement agreement with DTE Energy. B. Bohlen is seeking legal counsel for possible negotiations with DTE Energy regarding the purchase. Construction will not begin until 2022 due to the delay.

The 2022 BAWTP budget has been reviewed with Accounting Manager; K. Christian and staff. At this point there should be a net zero increase to the wholesale water rate for 2022. The 2022 budget will be presented at the October Technical Advisory Committee meeting and voted on at the November meeting. A budget cover sheet will be made available to the public and posted on the DWS website.

B. Bohlen offered the Technical Advisory Committee and the Water System Advisory Council a home page tab to be added to the website if interested. The Technical Committee unanimously agreed that a home page tab was not necessary for either.

7. Nomination of Officers for 2022 - 2024:

A TAC Officers Election Process Memorandum was distributed. Nominations are open for officers for the term of January 1, 2022 thru December 31, 2023. Nominations will be accepted 9/2/2021 thru 9/30/2021. Nominees will be contacted on 10/1/2021 and ballots prepared. The election will be conducted and results announced at the 10/7/21 TAC meeting. Email nomination instructions were included in the Memorandum. T. Close nominated Chairman; R. Campbell for Chairman and Vice-Chairman; G. Rowley for Vice-Chairman, both accepted nominations.

8. 2013B BAWTP Bond Refund/Refinance:

B. Bohlen commended the Committee for submitting their bond refund - refinance resolutions in a timely matter. The bond refund - refinance will be on the Ways of Means Committee Agenda September 14, 2021. Approval of the resolution is needed in order to proceed with the refund – refinance.

9. Transmission Standard Rate Construction Inflation Indices Calculation:

The final stages of the 2022 budget are being reviewed. Per the Transmission Standard, the Transmission rate is currently tied into ENR (Engineering News-Record). The construction inflationary rate in August went from 5.9% - 7.0% - 8.8%. Director; B. Bohlen recommended that the Committee stays with the 8.8% for cost-effective budget purposes. This percentage calculates to an approximate five cent increase to the Transmission Standard rate.

J. Lillo motioned; S. Davidson supported to implement the 8.8% construction inflation rate for the 2022 Transmission Standard budget. All yeas, motion carried.

10. Other Matters:

Budget review meeting dates were discussed between the communities that are connected to the WWTP.

Director, B. Bohlen will be contacting Rebecca Lakin, the new Pinconning City Manager regarding Technical Advisory Committee membership and representation.

11. Public Comment:

None

12. Adjourn:

<u>D. Schabel motioned; S. Davidson supported to adjourn meeting at 9:37 a.m. All yeas, motion carried.</u>

Respectfully submitted by, Jennifer Schwager

WTP Administrative Assistant

Approved: 16/7/21

Date: 19/7/21